was prevailed upon by the then Diwan, to allow what is called the Thekkin Kad Maidan, to be used by all classes of people. The Devaswom was generous enough (it is an incorporated Devaswom) and the Thekkin Kad Maidan was allowed to be used by all classes of the people. Badminton and Foot-Ball are played in the grounds and the Pooram and other functions are celebrated there. Now, this particular road, leading from the Mutts up to the temple, has got a sanctity of its own, according to Caste Hindus.

**Mr. K. Kesavan Nambudiri**:— What is the sanctity?

## Adjournment Motion.

*re. the debarring of College Students.*

**Mr. I. N. Menon**:— I may be permitted to make a brief statement on the subject of the adjournment motion. I made enquiries through the Principal and went through the papers connected and I do not find there is any need to take any action in the matter. According to the University rules amended lately, attendance at physical exercise ts compulsory, and in forwarding the attendance certificate the Principal has to certify the number of days boys and girls attended the Physical culture classes. Every Monday the total attendance is published and each student can find out to what extent he is short of attendance. That has been going on throughout the year and there is a notification issued in Thulam where the Principal has notified the students that since the University is very particular that attendance should be marked even in respect of this class they should be very particular in securing the minimum prescribed by the University which is $\frac{3}{4}$ i. e. 75 per cent. It so happened that some of these students who were otherwise qualified had not the minimum required by the University in respect of Physical culture and a consolidated request for exemption on behalf of these boys has been forwarded to the University. The University then demanded a special fee also in respect of exemption from physical culture. The old rule was that exemption in respect of short attendance could be obtained only on payment of a fee of five rupees. They extended that fee in respect of attendance at physical culture classes and this information was received here on the 6th together with the form of certification. Since that was received the Principal put up a notification saying that this should be paid immediately. As otherwise the fee could not be forwarded. I do not apprehend any difficulty whatsoever. A consolidated list has been sent to the University. That is what has happened. Being a novel procedure, some must have taken fright.

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**Mr. P. S. Kesavan Namburi**:—May I know whether all the students have paid the fee?

**Mr. I. N. Menon**:—I have not enquired. I shall be able to inform the House to-morrow morning. The Registrar has been intimated that there is some slight delay and even if there is some slight delay in forwarding the fee the boys may be exempted.

*As the motion was not moved it was considered withdrawn.*

*The House rose for the day at 5 p. m.*

C. J. MATHEW,

Secretary to the Council.

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